



**REMOVAL CAMPS**  
After being forcibly removed from their homes in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, and North Carolina, most Cherokee are moved into 11 removal camps—10 in Tennessee and one in Alabama. There they await the start of an 800-mile journey.

**ROSS'S LANDING**  
Location: Present-day Chattanooga, Tennessee. From June 6 to June 17, 1838, three detachments are forced to leave their homeland for Indian Territory.

**VANN'S PLANTATION**  
Location: Present-day Wolftever Creek, Tennessee. Two detachments totaling 1,642 Cherokee leave in September 1838 bound for Indian Territory.

**FORT CASS**  
Location: Present-day Charleston, Tennessee. From August 23 to December 5, 1838, 10 detachments totaling 9,302 Cherokee are marched from Fort Cass toward Indian Territory.

**BLYTHE FERRY**  
Location: Meigs County, Tennessee. Nine detachments with more than 9,000 Indians cross the Tennessee River.

**CHATTANOOGA AREA**  
Audubon Acres/Spring Frog Cabin  
Brainerd Mission Cemetery  
Brown's Ferry Tavern Site  
Chattanooga Regional History Museum  
John Ross House  
Ross's Landing  
Vann's Plantation

**CHARLESTON AREA**  
Fort Cass  
Lewis Ross Home  
Rattlesnake Spring  
Sequoyah Birthplace Museum  
Junaluska Memorial and Museum  
Fort Delaney  
Murphy  
Cherokee County Historical Museum  
Fort Butler  
Cherokee National Historic Trail

**FORT PAYNE AREA**  
Andrew Ross Home  
Fort Payne Cabin Site  
Willstown Mission Cemetery

**BELL ROUTE**  
Starting from Fort Cass on October 11, 1838, John Bell of the Treaty Party leads 660 Cherokee, ending at present-day Evansville, Arkansas.

**WATER DETACHMENTS**  
Cherokee removals from Ross's Landing and Fort Cass include four water route detachments that prove to be punishing for the Indians: 3,103 depart; 2,273 arrive at Mrs. Webber's Plantation (near present-day Stilwell), Fort Coffee, Lee's Creek (near Stilwell), and Illinois Campground (near Tahlequah).

**BENGE ROUTE**  
Starting from Fort Payne, on September 28, 1838, Cherokee leader John Benge escorts 1,079 Cherokee toward present-day Stilwell, Oklahoma.

**TRAIL'S END**  
The last detachment arrives in Indian Territory on March 24, 1839. The Cherokee are promised subsistence rations through March 1, 1840, in compliance with the Treaty of New Echota.

